

SUB-COMMITTEE A: TRANSPORTATION

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SUMMARY OF JUNE 12, 2006 MEETING

INTRODUCTION

Office of Transportation Services (OTS) provided an update to the Sub-Committee. Staff explained that analysis of interchanges will be done with the updates to the Countywide Transportation Plan (CTP). Michael Baker Corporation has been contracted to work on the updates to the CTP and is available to come speak to the Sub-Committee or the Planning Commission regarding the computer modeling if desired. George Phillips, OTS, will check on when the computer modeling will be conducted for the Route 50 corridor. A kick-off meeting with the consultant and OTS is scheduled for June 26, 2006.

DISCUSSION: TRANSPORTATION

The Dulles South area does not have a history of transit service. This will be changing in 2007 at which time bus service will be brought to this area. The Sub-Committee requested that OTS staff be available at the Committee's June 22, 2006 meeting to discuss transit for the Dulles South area.

The Sub-Committee requested the most recent traffic studies be provided for review. OTS's analysis for Stoneridge (ZMAP 2002-0013); East Gate I, II, and III (ZMAP 2004-0020, ZMAP 2005-0002, and ZMAP 2005-0003); Westport (2005-0030); and Arcola Center (ZMAP 2005-0035) is provided for the Committee's review (Attachment 1A).

The Sub-Committee discussed motion number 10 from the August 22, 2005 Action Summary, which discusses evaluation of plans and materials submitted during the CPAM process and recommends changes to the CTP road network that would best accommodate the demand. Staff advised that a new public hearing may be likely if amendments are proposed to the CTP road network. Staff outlined proposed amendments to Policy 9, p. 8-2, which states "The County will support a road network in the Transition Policy Area that will accommodate traffic associated with the ultimate planned densities". The Sub-Committee requested a copy of the October 3, 2005 Planning Commission Public Hearing advertisement for review (Attachment 1B). The Sub-Committee also requested the meeting notes from the September 6, 2005 Planning Commission Worksession where the draft policies were forwarded to the October 3, 2005 Public Hearing (Attachment 1C).

The Sub-Committee asked if the number of lanes established in the CTP limited a developer from being able to provide more lanes if warranted. When an

application is filed with the County the applicant must demonstrate how the proposed use functions within the planned road network. If a proposed development cannot function within the planned road network, staff would recommend reducing the impacts in order to meet the planned road network. CTP policies call for land development applications within the Suburban and Transition Policy Area to only occur along roads that currently function at Level of Service (LOS) D or better or to phase improvements with the phases of the development such that the LOS does not fall below LOS D (Policy 1, p. 4-5). Increased densities within the Upper Broad Run and Upper Foley Subareas may require amendments to the road network to address the increased densities. Staff recommends once the draft policies are adopted and densities established for the Upper Broad Run and Upper Foley Subareas the CTP road network for these areas be evaluated as part of the amendments to the CTP to address planned densities (See Amendments to Policy 9, p. 8-2).

The Sub-Committee requested a matrix be provided outlining all of the proposed policies with a notation indicating which Sub-Committee is reviewing each policy (Attachment 4). The Sub-Committee also requested CTP policies that relate to the proposed policies be provided for review (Attachment 1D).

NEXT STEPS

Nancy Gourley, Public Transportation Program Manager, OTS, will attend the Sub-Committee's June 22, 2006 meeting to discuss transit for the Dulles South area.